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Judge Hurt as Bomb In His Car Explodes

GREENVILLE, Ala. (UPI) — Police are searching for a motive for the bombing that injured Circuit Judge Arthur E. Gamble Jr., who signed the murder indictments in the death of civil rights marcher Viola Liuzzo a decade ago.

Gamble underwent an hour of surgery to repair damage to both legs and was listed in good condition. The surgeon in the case said Gamble, 55, would recover completely.

A dynamite bomb placed under the judge's car was ignited by a sawed-off shotgun Friday morning, authorities said. A string apparently was tied from the trigger of the shotgun to the car.

The judge's wife, Roberta, was in the car but escaped injury.

Gamble's most famous case occurred 10 years ago when as district attorney he signed murder indictments against three men in the death of Liuzzo, a white Detroit woman who had participated in the Selma-to-Montgomery march. Authorities said there was no evidence linking that case to the bombing.

Liuzzo was murdered the night of March 25, 1965, as she drove through Lowndes County after the march.